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SUBJECT: NATO CLAIMS AGAINST FRANCE

REF: STATE 47458

1. I CALLED AMBASSADOR DE STAERCCKE, IN HIS CAPACITY AS DEAN AND SPOKESMAN FOR COUNTRIES JOINING IN THE NATO CLAIM AGAINST FRANCE, AND DREW HIS ATTENTION TO THE MIDDLETON STORY (REFTEL). DE STAERCCKE SAID THAT HE HAD READ THE STORY AND THOUGHT THAT BY AND LARGE IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IN PUTTING SOME PRESSURE ON THE FRENCH TO RESPOND TO THE US, NATO AND CANADIAN FRELOC CLAIMS.

2. DE STAERCCKE ALSO SUGGESTED THAT I CALL AMBASSADOR DE ROSE AND REVIEW BIDDING WITH HIM. I MADE NO PROMISE.

3. COMMENT: I WOULD WELCOME GUIDANCE ON WHAT FURTHER STEPS I MIGHT TAKE HERE, IN LIGHT OF STATUS OF OUR BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH FRANCE. I EXPECT THAT OTHER PERMREPS WILL BE ASKING ME ABOUT THE STATUS OF THE US CLAIM AGAINST FRANCE AND I MAY NEED TO SAY SOMETHING BEYOND THE AUTHORIZED PRESS STATEMENT IN STATE 47506. AT A MINIMUM, MIDDLETON STORY WILL RENEW INTEREST IN EXPLORING POSSIBILITIES FOR PURSUING
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NATO CLAIM AND CANADIAN CLAIM, AND I WOULD BE PREPARED TO COMMENT ON THAT, AS WELL IF IT IS DESIRABLE. END COMMENT.

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